

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

RS20941

This proposed legislation will amend Idaho Code 58-3 by adding a new section, Idaho Code 58-302, that requires applicants for state grazing leases to submit a grazing management proposal as part of their application. The proposal allows the Department to conduct a preliminary analysis of whether or not an applicant's proposed use is consistent with the Department's resource objectives and management expectations for the lands applied for. The grazing proposal submitted by the successful applicant then becomes the grazing management plan for that lease.

Current lessees with a Department approved grazing management plan will not be required to submit a new management proposal with their application. The exception to this exemption is in cases where either the Department or lessee requests a change in the existing management plan.

An emergency existing therefor, which emergency is hereby declared to exist, this act shall be in full force upon passage and approval.

FISCAL NOTE

These changes will have no effect on the general fund.

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